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## Minutes 09/10/2008

Arlington Recycling Committee Minutes 9/10/08

Present: Gordon Jamieson (Chair), Juli Brazile, Nigel Kraus, Ruth Yanetti (DPW Office Manager), Mary Delahanty (DPW Recycling Coordinator), Anneli Mynttinen, Joan Roman (Website Content Manager), Pete Howard (Secretary)

Town day arrangements

Volunteer slots filled: Gordon 9-11, 3, Juli 9-11, Pete 1-3, Anneli 11-1, Nigel will be at SAVE Club table

Recycling process delineated: DPW will put out recycling containers (frames for bags) After the meeting Ruth and Mary were able to arrange for a WM recycling truck to be present that will loaded by committee volunteers during the course of the day.

Stickers et al: DPW will set up & have handouts & info.

Recycling Collection during Town Day Fire works Spy Pond Field: DPW will put out recycling containers on Friday evening. Pete & Anneli will pick up at 7:30 & put in WM recycling truck on Town Day (Saturday).

Discussion of past year and planning for the coming year's activities

Arlington Recycle Week and Community Collection Day events discussed

BoS presentation scheduled 9/25 : Gordon to provide progress report outline request particular support of the BoS: Arlington Recycles Week Proclamation; Sandwich board signage request/arrangements

Fall Community Collection Day event (during ARW)

Mary has prepared promotional materials - Some additions needed

Nigel will have SAVE present 9-1 to collect redeemables

Reusable bag give away discussion: Idea is to request cloth bags from businesses that are selling them for distribution free to people coming to the Town Yard. Committee endorsed idea

Got Books won't be present but we could carry books to Stratton bin. Juli to investigate.

MSW component for Arl Sus Action Plan

Gordon to present concept to BoS - Followup needed - Anticipation to be this year's major initiative.

Collection bin network expansion

General discussion. Juli to contact Elizabeth to revive school recycling contacts.

Mary to compile listing of current bin (clothes, cardboard, paper, books) network locations

Other idea discussed briefly:

- Resident and school composting effort
- Visible waste ban enforcement discussion
- Bottle bill - Reusable bags - No waste lunch
- Formal committee membership update - Needed but not discussed in full.

Recycling Website

Joan will incorporate existing website into Town website. Gordon suggested specific topics to be on first page. Joan will work these ideas into her guidelines. She will use the Q&A site to answer questions. Joan reported heavy use of recycling info by website visitors.

Next meetings: 10/8, 11/5, 12/3, 1/14

